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Domains And DNAs Encoding These Proteins*

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated August 27, 2001 (Paper No.22), please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Notice of Appeal is being filed concurrently herewith.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 7, 9, 10 and 11 without prejudice, and amend claims 12, 13, 14 and 16 as follows:

*OK  
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